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SUBJ: NPG - PHASE II REPORT

REF: A. NPG/WP(74)9

B. USNATO 466

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1. MISSION OFFICER MET WITH UK, FRG AND IS REPS ON JANUARY 27 TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE APPROACH FOR CONDUCTING THE NPG PERMREPS MEETING, TENTATIVELY PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY 20, ON THE FOLLOW-ON USE PHASE II PRELIMINARY REPORT (REF A). THEY AGREED ON FOLLOWING IDEAS:

(A) PHASE II STUDY TEAM (PROBABLY ONE REP FROM EACH COUNTRY) SHOULD LEAD OFF WITH A PRESENTATION TO SET STAGE FOR PERMREP DISCUSSIONS. EACH STUDY TEAM MEMBER COULD GIVE A PART OF THE PRESENTATION WHICH, IN TOTAL, SHOULD NOT EXCEED THIRTY MINUTES.

(B) THE PRESENTATION MIGHT BE DIVIDED VARIOUS WAYS, ONE EXAMPLE BEING: PART ONE - BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES OF CONFIDENTIAL

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PHASE II EFFORT; PART TWO - ANALYTICAL APPROACH IN THE PHASE II REPORT; PART THREE - CONCLUSIONS OF THE PHASE II REPORT.

(C) FOLLOWING STUDY TEAM PRESENTATION, SYG LUNS WOULD

OPEN THE MEETING FOR PERMREP DISCUSSION. WE ENVISION THAT PERMREPS, DRAWING ON PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED WRITTEN NATIONAL COMMENTS, WOULD DISCUSS VIEWS OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS ON THE PASE II REPORT AND PROSPECTS FOR INITIATION OF PHASE III OF THE FOLLOW-ON USE STUDY PROGRAM (PREPARATION OF GUIDELINES). PERMREPS MAY HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON THE PHASE II REPORT WHICH THEY COULD ASK THE STUDY TEAM MEMBERS.

2. MISSION OFFICER AGREED WITH UK AND FRG REPS TO FORWARD ABOVE IDEAS TO RESPECTIVE CAPITALS FOR CONSIDERATION. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION THE FOLLOWING DAY, FRG REP SAID HE DISCUSSED THE IDEAS WITH HIS AUTHORITIES IN BONN, WHO APPROVED THEM. HE SAID THEY HOPED WASHINGTON WOULD DEVELOP INITIAL OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION AND SUGGESTIONS ON HOW IT MIGHT BE DIVIDED.

3. MISSION BELIEVES IDEAS DESCRIBED ABOVE PROVIDE GOOD BASIS FOR PREPARING FOR THE FEBRUARY 20 NPG PERMREPS MEETING, AND RECOMMENDS THAT WASHINGTON PHASE II REPS CONTACT UK AND FRG DIRECT IN ARRANGING FOR PREPARATION AND COORDINATION OF TEXT OF STUDY TEAM PRESENTATION. SINCE US, UK, AND FRG REPS WILL BE IN BRUSSELS SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE FEBRUARY 20 FOR THE NPG TECHNOLOGY STUDY MEETING (REF B), THERE WILL BE GOOD OPPOTRTUNITY TO COMPLETE FINAL COORDINATION DURING THAT TIME.
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